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SUBJECT: REFUGEES FROM RWANDA

REF: BUKAVU 0057

1. SMALL NUMBERS OF TUTSI REFUGEES CONTINUE TO COME ACROSS  
BORDER FROM RWANDA INTO ZAIRE DESPITE OFFICIAL BORDER CLOSING.  
UNHCR AND CRS REPS MEETING TODAY TO DECIDE WHAT ACTION REQUIRED.

2. AFTER TIP TO GOMA CRS REP BOURASSA ESTIMATES REFUGEES  
IN NORTH KIVU AREA ( ALMOST ALL IN GOMA) AT ABOUT 150 HEADS OF  
FAMILY PLUS 50 CATHOLIC NUNS AND PRIESTS WHO BEING CARED FOR  
BY GOMA BISHOP. SOME HEADS OF FAMILY HAVE ARRIVED ALONE BUT  
MOST CAME WITH FAMILY. BOURASSA ESTIMATES TOTAL OF REFUGEES IN  
GOMA AT ABOUT 450 TO 500. HERE IN BUKAVU TUTSI REFUGEES CONTINUE  
ARRIVING IN SMALL NUMBERS BUT MOST ABLE TO CONTINUE ON TO  
BUJUMBURA AFTER MERELY OVERNIGHTING IN CITY. BUKUBU TOTAL  
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PROBABLY NO MORE THAN 50 TO 75 WITH DAILY DEPARTURE TO BURUNDI  
AND ARRIVALS FROM RWANDA ABOUT EVEN. CND CHIEF HERE CONFIRMS

ABOVE FIGURES.

3. TUTSI DIRECTOR OF TEA PLANTATION OUTSIDE KISENYI TOLD CRS REP IN GOMA MARCH 2 THAT TWELVE TUTSI KILLED ON HIS PLANTATION AND ABOUT 20 HUTS BURNED. DIRECTOR WAS TOLD BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO EITHER LEAVE OR BE SHOT. HE FLED TO GOMA. THIS MOST RELIABLE REPORT OF KILLINGS WE HAVE AT THIS POINT, EXCEPT FOR ONE WHICH APPEARS TO BE SAME AS THAT REPORTED IN PARA 2 OF KILALI 00112. FORMER BANK BRANCH MANAGER FROM CYANGUGU WHO HAS SINCE MOVED ON TO BUJUMBURA TOLD CONSULATE LOCAL EMPLOYEE ( ALSO TUTSI) OF SHOOTINGS IN CYANGUGU BUT COULD NOT CONFIRM ANY KILLINGS. IT POSSIBLE SHOOTINGS ARE OF SAME SORT REPORTED BUKAVU 0057.

4. ALL TUTSI ARRIVING IN ZAIRE COME WITH VIRTUALLY NO GOODS EXCEPT CLOTHES THEY WEARING. CARS AND MOST PERSONAL EFFECTS AND MONEY CONFISCATED AT BORDER. CRS REP HAS ASKED NEW YORK FOR 14,000 DOLLARS FOR SHORT TERM ASSISTANCE AND IS AWAITING RESPONSE. UNHCR REP HAS ASKED KINSHASA FOR FULL TIME REP TO BE STATIONED IN GOMA.

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